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In the Application of:

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APPLICATION NO.: 08/849,404  
(OF PARENT)

GROUP ART UNIT: 1653  
(OF PARENT)

FILED: CONCURRENTLY HEREWITH

EXAMINER: BUGIASKI, G.  
(OF PARENT)

FOR: BIOCONVERSION OF A FERMENTABLE  
CARBON SOURCE TO 1,3-PROPANEDIOL BY  
A SINGLE MICROORGANISM

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Before examination of the above-referenced application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

At page 1, after the title and before the first sentence, delete "This application was filed in the PCT as PCT/96/06705 on 10 May 1996 designating the United States of America, among other countries, and is a continuation-in-part application of US Application No. 08/440,293 filed 12 May 1995, now pending." and insert therefor

~~This is a division of Application Serial No. 08/849,404, filed 22 May 1997, now pending, which was the National Stage of International Application, filed in the PCT as PCT/96/06705 on 10 May 1996 designating the United States of America, which in turn was a continuation-in-part application of US Application No. 08/440,293 filed 12 May 1995, issued 1 November 1997 as U.S. Pat. No. 5,686,276.~~

At page 7, lines 6-8, after "ATCC 74369. "ATCC" refers to the American Type Culture Collection international depository located at", delete "12301 Parklawn Drive, Rockville, MD 20852 U.S.A." and insert therefor ~~10801 University Blvd., Manassas, VA 20110-2209, U.S.A.~~